103D CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 1773

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 21, 1993

Mr. Emerson (for himself, Mr. Gunderson, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Stenholm, Mr. Lancaster, Mr. Bereuter, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Slattery, Mr. Durbin, and Mr. Kyl) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. REVISIONS TO RURAL HEALTH CARE TRANSI-

2	TION	GRANT	PROGRAM.
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- 3 (a) REAUTHORIZATION THROUGH FISCAL YEAR
- 4 1997.—Section 4005(e)(9) of the Omnibus Budget Rec-
- 5 onciliation Act of 1987 is amended—
- 6 (1) by striking "1989 and" and inserting
- 7 "1989,"; and
- 8 (2) by striking "1992" and inserting "1992
- 9 and \$30,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1993
- 10 through 1997".
- 11 (b) Preference in Awarding Grants for Hos-
- 12 PITALS ESTABLISHING CONSORTIA OF COMMUNITY PRO-
- 13 VIDERS.—Section 4005(e)(5) of such Act is amended in
- 14 the matter preceding subparagraph (A) by inserting after
- 15 "the Administrator" the following: "shall give preference
- 16 to a hospital whose proposed project is to establish a con-
- 17 sortium with other providers of health care services in the
- 18 community in which the hospital is located to integrate
- 19 the delivery of such services to individuals in the commu-
- 20 nity, and".
- 21 (c) Revision of Frequency of Secretary's Re-
- 22 PORTS TO CONGRESS.—Section 4005(e)(8)(B) of such Act
- 23 is amended by striking "6 months" and inserting "12
- 24 months".